

**REMARKS**

Claim 1 has been amended to delete the phrase “in an annular form” in line 2. The applicants respectfully submit that no new matter has been added.

It is believed that this Amendment is fully responsive to the Office Action, and places the application in condition for allowance, which action, at an early date, is requested.

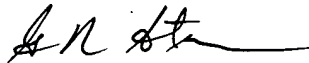
If, for any reason, it is felt that this application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the applicants undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this case.

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In the event that this paper is not timely filed, the applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fees for such an extension of time and any other fees which may be due with respect to this paper, to Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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